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## Everybody's War

For the first time in history Canada has declared war against another country—not a war against the German people who, in the main are probably as peace loving a people as the Canadians, but against the authority in charge of the government of Germany, in spirit against the dictator, Herr Hitler.

When Canada went into the great war of 1914-18 she had not assumed the full status of nationhood and although this country, at that time, followed the lead of the Motherland willingly and even with enthusiasm, she did not have the breadth of choice that is hers to-day.

This time Canada grinds up her own as a belligerent, with all the force and power of a sovereign nation in her own right. She enters the conflict as a co-partner with and of the same status as Great Britain. She voiced her decision to do so of her own volition and expressed her decision in the democratic way, through her parliament, the symbol of her democratic form of government which the people of this country have decided to uphold against aggression.

What is more, the decision of Canada to participate actively in this war, as voiced through parliament, was unanimous. All political parties represented in both houses joined forces in uttering the decree which formally lined up this country with Britain, France and Poland against the democratic way, through her parliament, the symbol of her democratic form of government which the people of this country have decided to uphold against aggression.

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### War's Responsibilities

Canada, having decided of her own free will and with all the authority of nationhood in her own right to engage in this conflict, the people of this country have, for the first time in their history, assumed all the responsibilities which devolve upon people who declare war on others.

As a result of her own decision, as voiced through the nation's assembly, the people have decreed that, for the present at any rate, they will wage this fight on a voluntary basis and this entails upon every individual in the country the responsibility of doing his or her utmost to do his or her share to the best of his or her ability and in the manner in which he or she may be best fitted.

Such an effort is going to entail sacrifices, but the people of this country have announced that they are willing to make the necessary sacrifices, no matter what they may be or how onerous they may be.

In this country, it is everybody's war. The duty of prosecuting the war with the utmost vigour is not confined to those who volunteer their services in the military, naval or air forces, either on the battlefield in Europe, if it should decide to go on an expeditionary force overseas, or to serve in the second line of defence on this side of the Atlantic. Nor is it confined to the members of the veterans' and nursing organizations who recently responded no nobly to the call for registration of volunteers for emergency services in this country, if and when required.

No, in war time, the call is much wider than that. It embraces every man and woman and even the youth of the country. Agriculture, industry, the business of the country generally must be carried on with the maximum of energy and efficiency with the winning of the war as speedily as possible as the single objective.

The job in hand necessitates a single purpose guiding the activities of all our people, whether they be engaged in the field, the factory or the counting house; whether they be working in government employment or teaching in the classroom; whether they be business executives or drawing pay as artisans or common laborers.

No one knows how long this struggle is going to be. No one knows yet what resources of finance, industry and man power may have to be drawn upon. No one knows what forces may ultimately be arrayed against the people of this country before victory can be claimed.

If for no other reason, these unknown factors dictate the necessity for preparedness and for the wholehearted and active support of all the forces this country can commit in making these preparations and in waging this war. The war is a war for every Canadian.

### University Closed

Work At Famous School In Heidelberg Is Discouraged Indefinitely

Heidelberg University, world-famed seat of learning which began to decline following the advent of the Nazi regime, will remain closed indefinitely, it was announced.

Only five universities in this country will continue classes during the winter semester. They are Berlin, Leipzig, Jena, Munich and Vienna. The five were deemed sufficient to handle the number of students during war time.

### Issue Is The Same

The issue can be stated as Lincoln stated it long ago, says the Toronto Star. With the substitution, now, of "world" for "nation," his declaration is this: "That this world, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

In 1864 the Bible had been translated into 72 languages; to-day it has been translated into 835.

Two-thirds of the Argentine is arid or semi-arid.

### New Marching Song

British Troops Have Adopted "Heigh-Ho" From Snow White

The old war songs like "Tipperary" and "Long Long Trail" are still being sung in England, but the most popular tune among the British troops right now is "Heigh-Ho" from Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

"The soldiers have changed the original script to read 'Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, away to war we go'."

### Royal Precedence

Very few people, except those actually at Court, say the London Daily Sketch, know of the existence of a list printed on white cardboard and headed "Precedence of the Royal Family" to be observed at Court. Approved by the King, this clearly sets out both Separate and Joint Precedence—the latter meaning when accompanied by husband or wife who may be of lesser rank.

Black horses are affected by heat more than are those of any other color.

William Kidd, famous pirate, was executed on May 24, 1701.

### Kitchener Of Khartoum

Romance With Pretty Irish Girl Spoiled His Life

In an old grey farmhouse in County Kildare, miles from the nearest town, lives the woman Lord Kitchener of Khartoum wanted to marry, writes T. Travers-Hutchinson in the London Sunday Dispatch.

All through his later life he was haunted by a woman-hater, his never married. He was brief to the point of rudeness with women he met to meet. But his love for Miss Katie Kelly, farmer's daughter, whom he met when stationed at the Curragh in the late seventies, was never forgotten.

Now their story can be revealed—for the first time. "My Dear Little Katie," he called her in his letters to her after they were parted. "I am only happy when I breathe the same air as she does," he once told a friend.

With her, his sternest aversion. The rather solemn young officer refused to get gay, as the women gathered round the green lanes that led from her home at Hill of Rathbridge, near the great military plain where the British army was encamped.

But there was a shadow in their lives. Miss Kelly's mother disapproved. Kitchener's young wife came to her daughter. Indeed, she did not approve of all of their friendship. For the Kellys were Catholics and Kitchener was a Protestant. It was on that rock that the romance was to founder.

Now a little old lady of nearly 80, the lives alone, her only companion a single maid-servant, in the ivy-covered farmhouse where the great soldier came to visit her.

The garden is overgrown with weeds and the ivy on the walls has jumped the splendid hunters for which Miss Kelly and her brother came to the house. The garden and the ducks are the only inhabitants of the stables. No laughing visitors come up the lane to Hill of Rathbridge now.

### Salaries Paid Teachers

Claimed That More Than Half The Teachers In Canada Subsidized On Lowest Level

The depressing conditions that exist in the teaching profession throughout the Dominion, as revealed in a report of the Research Committee of the Canadian Teachers' Federation, presented at the opening session in Montreal recently caused wide-spread dissatisfaction. The statistics presented show the following astonishing facts: More than 10,000 teachers in Canada are paid less than the mean legal minimum for female juveniles in industry.

More than 19,000 teachers are paid less than the mean legal minimum for experienced women in industry. About 25,000 teachers are paid less than the girl who binds the textbooks.

Nearly 37,000 teachers, or about 60 per cent of all Canadian teachers, are paid less than the mean minimum for unskilled factory labor.

About 40,000 teachers, or more than 85 per cent of the total number, are paid less than skilled union workmen.

The committee, in demanding that in the national interest a survey should be made of the Canadian teaching personnel in terms of the monetary value placed upon their services, says: "To put it bluntly, more than half the teachers of Canada live at the lowest level of self-supporting penurious existence, and it is time that more light was thrown upon their condition."

### No More Salients

Line Is To Be Kept Straight In This War

One new principle has been adopted of the war which will make a difference between this and the last conflict. It has been decided not to indulge in any more salients. They are akin to what is known in boxing circles as "sticking out your chin."

They invite attack. The amount of life lost in making and defending salients in the last war has taught a costly lesson. The line is to be kept straight and all effort is to be directed towards a general advance.

There is no pollen in the air 4,000 feet above the ground. All that hay fever sufferers need to do is get up there and stay until the season is over.

Both Tarkington may be 70, but Ford and Willie Barker, like Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn, remain forever young—and going strong.

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### Have Been Preserved

Paintings On Sugar Panels Decorated Royal Wedding Cake

Had Duke and Duchess of Kent gone to Australia in October as planned before the outbreak of war, it was expected that exquisite little paintings on sugar of Scottish castles and Grecian scenes would accompany them. These formed the decorations of their wedding cake, says the London Daily Sketch.

Mr. Bryant emerged from his retirement at the age of 80 to help decorate the cake. He and his son had between them seen nearly a century of service with the biscuit firm that received the Royal order. It took them six weeks to complete the cake, which was laid behind locked doors. When eventually it was delivered at Buckingham Palace it so delighted Queen Mary that she ordered the painted panels could be removed intact before it was cut. Queen Mary had the little sugar panels mounted under glass, and they are thus in perfect preservation.

### Searches For Nobodies

Sculptor Finds Men On Streets Are Fine Models

A man who has been touring Europe in search of "International Nobodies" arrived in London last night. He was Clarence Gilchrist, an American sculptor, who has spent the last three years sculpturing the heads of "men in the street" all over the world. Mr. Gilchrist's method is to find typical "heads," as he calls them, in each country he visits, and he doesn't care whether they are statesmen or dustmen. In the last three years he has visited some 20 different parts of his own country, and has been all over South America and Canada.

### Willing To Sideslip

On the question of staying out of the eyes, have it by a landside. Our people dislike Hitler and they are loud in their protest. But in the eyes of other fellows, says The New Yorker.

### Fumbled Whole Team

A referee who didn't believe in half measures ended a football game at Cape Town when he sent a whole team to the bench. He had warned them against unruly play several times.

Workmen found a letter 121 years old when they repaired an old house at Sydney, N.S. The letter, embedded in the window sill, was written in Halifax.

In walking one mile, the average person raises each of his feet a distance totalling a height of 30 feet.

### Cheap Gasoline

German Planes Must Use Gas That Diminishes Speed And Carrying Power

Germany may lose the war because she lacks "anti-knock" gasoline for her fighting planes, a well-known chemist said in Boston.

"Not enemy guns, but the knocking of her airplane motors will toll the doom of Germany in this war," declared Dr. Gustav Egloff, research director for an (Universal) oil products company of Chicago, in an interview.

Attending the 98th meeting of the American Chemical Society, Egloff said Britain and France had facilities for developing "superior" gasoline from crude petroleum products obtained from the wells of Persia.

"On the other hand," he said, "Germany has principally the gasoline she obtains from coal—a product which not only diminishes the speed and carrying power of planes, but cuts down their life span."

### Monster Crab

Fished Foul Of Interesting Specimen In The Georgian Bay District

G. G. Albery, town clerk of Meaford, Ont., in the Georgian Bay district, said he had discovered the fossil of a monster crab along the shoreline near the blue mountains of Collingwood.

The body of the fossil is approximately three inches in thickness and the parts of the body found weigh nearly 60 pounds. The fossil is known as a "salurian crustacean," or "monster crab," and its original life size, Albery said, was six feet in length. Scientists estimate the Silurian age was approximately 350,000,000 years ago and lasted 4,000,000 years. It is believed the region where the fossil was found was once part of an inland sea when the Gulf of Mexico extended north over this part of the continent.

### Twenty Members Left

Who Were In British House When Last War Broke

Only 20 members of the present British House of Commons were in Westminster on that hectic day 20 years ago at the outbreak of the war, says the London Daily Sketch. Only seven of those 20 M.P.'s is still on the Treasury Bench—Sir John Simon. He was Attorney-General in 1914. Lord Winterton, Lloyd George, Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Churchill, Colonel Wedgwood, Lord Wolmer, Mr. Benn, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Amery and the Speaker are among others who will vividly recall that dramatic day in 1914.

### The Ciever Quail

The Christian Science Monitor says the sleeping habits of a covey of quail are odd. The birds arrange themselves in a compact circle with heads out and tails towards the centre, and rest closely against one another for warmth. If alarmed, each one flies straight out without danger of collision.

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**Recalls Old Warning**  
Church bells pealed forth in Danzig to acclaim the return to the city of the German flag. The old Sir Robert Walpole when his countrymen light-heartedly embarked on war with Spain: "You are ringing your bells now, ere long you may be wringing your hands."

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